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Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1948

Education: Indiana (PA) 1970; Gonzaga 1979 JD

Began Service: 1991

Term Expires: September 2015

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Michael W. Leavitt

Magistrate Judge

Term Expires: February 1, 2012

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Frank L. Kurtz

Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1946

Education: Gonzaga 1974 JD

Began Service: 2005

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**Patricia C. Williams**

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1948

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Began Service: July 14, 1997

Term Expires: July 13, 2011

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John A. Rossmeissl

Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1940

Education: Washington State 1962 BA; Chicago 1965 JD

Began Service: 1987

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Robert S. Lasnik

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1951

Education: Brandeis 1972 AB; Northwestern 1973 MS, 1974 MA;
 U Washington 1978 JD

Began Service: December 2, 1998

Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Lecturer, University of Washington School of Law (1980)**Government:** Deputy Prosecutor, Office of the Prosecutor, Criminal Division, County of King, Washington (1978-1981); Senior Deputy Prosecutor, Office of the Prosecutor, County of King, Washington (1981-1983); Chief of Staff, Office of the Prosecutor, County of King, Washington (1983-1990)**Judicial:** Judge, Washington Superior Court, King County (1990-1998)**Current Memberships:** Washington State Bar Association**Staff**

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**Barbara J. Rothstein**

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1939

Education: Cornell 1960 BA; Harvard 1966 LLB

Began Service: February 20, 1980

Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Affiliation: Director, Federal Judicial Center**Academic:** Faculty, Washington (1975-1977)**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Washington (1969-1977)**Judicial:** Judge, King County Superior Court (1977-1980); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Washington (1987-1994)**Legal Practice:** Widett & Kruger (1966-1968)**Current Memberships:** American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; King County Bar Association; Massachusetts Bar Association; National Association of Women Judges; Washington State Bar Association**Staff**

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Marsha J. Pechman

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951

Education: Cornell 1973 BA; Boston U 1976 JD

Began Service: October 4, 1999

Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Instructor/Staff Attorney, University of Washington School of Law (1979-1981); Adjunct Faculty, University of Washington School of Law (1983-1987); Visiting Clinical Professor, University of Puget Sound (now Seattle University) School of Law (1986-1987)**Clerkships:** Law Clerk/Limited Practice Intern, Greater Boston Legal Services (1975-1976)**Government:** Deputy Prosecutor, Criminal Division, King County Prosecutor's Office (1976-1979)**Judicial:** Superior Court Judge, King County Superior Court (1988-1999)**Legal Practice:** Associate, Levinson, Friedman, Vhugen, Duggan, Bland & Horowitz (1981-1986); Partner, Levinson, Friedman, Vhugen, Duggan, Bland & Horowitz (1987-1988)

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